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RESPONSE/SUBMISSION

Examiner: R. Popovics
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The Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C.
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Dear Sir:

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In response to the communication from the Examiner mailed Office Action September 11, 2002 and supplements the applicants' previous Responses dated June 7, 2002 and June 18, 2002.

Filed under cover of the Transmittal Form for this Response are:

1. A Petition withdrawing the two Terminal Disclaimers currently on file which were submitted by the applicants in a Response dated June 18, 2002;
2. A fresh Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection Over a Prior Patent made in relation to U.S. Patent No. 6, 303, 035; and
3. A fresh Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Provisional Double Patenting Rejection Over a Pending Second Application made in relation to co-pending Application No. 09/916,247 and co-pending Application No. 09/425,235.
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The Applicants submit that these new Terminal Disclaimer correct the defect noted in the most recent communication from the Examiner as well as the other defects in those Terminal Disclaimers noted in the Petition.

The Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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